

World Hearing Day

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- National institutes and Regional Centers, under the <u>Department of Empowerment of Persons</u> with <u>Disabilities</u>, conducted awareness programs to promote an inclusive society and empower individuals to overcome hearing challenges.
- World Hearing Day (WHD) is celebrated on the 3rd March each year to raise awareness on how to prevent deafness and hearing loss and promote ear and hearing care across the world.
 - Globally, over 80% of ear and hearing care needs remain unmet.
- Theme of WHD 2024: Changing mindsets: Let's make ear and hearing care a reality for all!
 - Normal hearing range: 0-20 dBHL (Decibel Hearing Level).
 - A person who is not able to hear as well as someone with normal hearing hearing thresholds of 20 dB or better in both ears is said to have hearing loss.
 - Hard of hearing refers to people with hearing loss ranging from mild to severe.
 Deaf' people mostly have profound hearing loss, which- implies very little or no hearing.

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